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## REPLY & AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action mailed July 30, 2002, in the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows. This response is timely submitted such that no extensions of time are necessary.

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

In the substitute specification filed on May 20, 2002, please amend the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 18, as follows:

Figures 16A-16C show an example of sequencing reaction. The reaction was performed by using wild type T7 RNA polymerase (WT) (SEQ ID NOs:17-18)(Figure 16A), mutant T7 RNA polymerase F644Y (F644Y) (SEQ ID NOs:19-20)(Figure 16B), or a mutant T7 RNA polymerase L665P/F667Y (F667Y) (SEQ ID NOs:21-22)(Figure 16C). Sequencing patterns of the same area are shown, and it can be observed that the sequencing

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